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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

JOSE GUADALUPE LOPEZ-ZAMORA,
LEONARDO FLORES BELTRAN,
CHRISTIAN ANTHONY ROMERO,
JASON LAMAR LEE,
BAUDELIO VIZCARRA, JR.,
JOAQUIN ALBERTO SOTELO VALDEZ,
RUDI JEAN CARLOS FLORES,
ERIKA GABRIELA ZAMORA ROJO,
ALEJANDRO TELLO,
JAVIER HERNANDEZ, and
JOSE LUIS AGUILAR SAUCEDO,

Defendants.

CASE NO. 2:21-CR-0007-JAM

STIPULATION REGARDING EXCLUDABLE
TIME PERIODS UNDER SPEEDY TRIAL ACT;
ORDER

DATE: January 25, 2022

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

COURT: Hon. John A. Mendez

STIPULATION

Plaintiff United States of America, by and through its counsel of record, and the above-captioned defendants, by and through their respective counsel of record, hereby stipulate as follows:

1. By previous order, this matter was set for a status hearing on December 9, 2021, before the Honorable Morrison C. England, Jr., and time was excluded through that date under Local Codes T2 and T4. ECF No. 205.

2. On November 9, 2021, this case was reassigned to the Honorable John A. Mendez for all further proceedings. The previously scheduled December 9, 2021 status hearing was vacated and the parties were “directed to file documents to reschedule any hearing(s) previously set to the new District Judge.” ECF No. 226.

3. By this stipulation, the parties request to set a status hearing for January 25, 2022, and defendants move to exclude time between December 9, 2021, and January 25, 2022, under Local Codes T2 and T4.

4. The parties agree and stipulate, and request that the Court find the following:

a) The grand jury returned an indictment in this case on January 28, 2021. Fourteen defendants are named in the publicly filed indictment. The names of two additional defendants who have not yet been arrested are redacted from the publicly filed indictment.

b) On March 5, 2021, defendant Javier Hernandez made his initial appearance in the case and was arraigned on the Indictment. ECF No. 123.

c) On April 13, 2021, defendant Baudelio Vizcarra, Jr. made his initial appearance in the case and was arraigned on the Indictment. ECF No. 137. On May 4, 2021, the Court signed an order substituting attorney Sanjay Sobti as counsel of record for defendant Vizcarra. ECF No. 160.

d) On May 11, 2021, the Court signed an order substituting attorney Kresta Daly as counsel of record for defendant Christian Romero. ECF No. 162.

e) The government has represented that the discovery associated with this case to date includes approximately 7,720 pages of materials, including investigative reports, photographs, search warrant materials, and other documents, as well as voluminous audio and video recordings and approximately 978 recorded phone calls intercepted pursuant to the Title III wiretap in this case. All of this discovery has been either produced directly to counsel and/or made available for inspection and copying.

f) Counsel for defendants need additional time to review the voluminous discovery in this case, to conduct independent factual investigation, to research trial and sentencing issues, to consult with their clients, and to otherwise prepare for trial.

1 g) Counsel for defendants believe that failure to grant the above-requested
2 continuance would deny them the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking into
3 account the exercise of due diligence.

4 h) The government does not object to the continuance.

5 i) In addition, this case is “complex” within the meaning of 18 U.S.C.
6 § 3161(h)(7)(A), B(ii) [Local Code T2], as the Court previously found in its February 10, 2021
7 Order (ECF No. 103) and subsequent orders.

8 j) Based on the above-stated findings, the ends of justice served by continuing the
9 case as requested outweigh the interest of the public and the defendant in a trial within the
10 original date prescribed by the Speedy Trial Act.

11 k) For the purpose of computing time under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161,
12 et seq., within which trial must commence, the time period of December 9, 2021 to January 25,
13 2022, inclusive, is deemed excludable pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), B(iv) [Local Code
14 T4] and 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), B(ii) [Local Code T2] because it results from a continuance
15 granted by the Court at defendant’s request on the basis of the Court’s finding that the ends of
16 justice served by taking such action outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendant in
17 a speedy trial.

18 5. Nothing in this stipulation and order shall preclude a finding that other provisions of the
19 Speedy Trial Act dictate that additional time periods are excludable from the period within which a trial
20 must commence.

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13 **FINDINGS AND ORDER**

14 IT IS SO FOUND AND ORDERED this 29th day of November, 2021.

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16 /s/ John A. Mendez
17 THE HONORABLE JOHN A. MENDEZ
18 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE
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